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Amendment and Response

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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 2, lines 19-21 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 3A is a schematic diagram illustrating the arrangement of the quadrants of FIGS. 3A-1 through 3A-4 in relationship to each other to illustrate an embodiment of a disposable cartridge assembly in association with an embodiment of a blood perfusion system according to an embodiment of this invention interface between components of an alternate embodiment of a disposable assembly and component interface region embodiments of FIGS. 2A and 2B, respectively.

Please replace the paragraph at page 3, lines 22-24 with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 3B is a schematic diagram illustrating the arrangement of the quadrants of Figures 3B-1 through 3B-4 in relationship to each other to illustrate an alternate embodiment of a disposable cartridge assembly in association with an alternate embodiment of a blood perfusion system according to an alternate embodiment of this invention interface between components of an alternate embodiment of a disposable assembly and a corresponding alternate embodiment of a component interface region.

Please add the following new paragraphs at page 5, after line 24:

FIG. 3A-1 is to be positioned in the upper left quadrant of the schematic diagram of FIG. 3A, FIG. 3A-2 is to be positioned in the upper right quadrant of the schematic diagram of FIG. 3A, FIG. 3A-3 is to be positioned in the lower left quadrant of the schematic diagram of FIG. 3A, and FIG. 3A-4 is to be positioned in the lower right quadrant of the schematic diagram of FIG. 3A.



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FIG. 3B-1 is to be positioned in the upper left quadrant of the schematic diagram of FIG. 3B, FIG. 3B-2 is to be positioned in the upper right quadrant of the schematic diagram of FIG. 3B, FIG. 3B-3 is to be positioned in the lower left quadrant of the schematic diagram of FIG. 3B, and FIG. 3B-4 is to be positioned in the lower right quadrant of the schematic diagram of FIG. 3B.

Please replace the paragraph at page &, line & with the following amended paragraph:

FIGS. 7A to $7B \in$ are views of the venous reservoir bracket/mount.